



PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John BUTLER et al.

Application No.: 10/635,909

Filed: August 7, 2003

For: SURGICAL DEVICE (As Amended)

Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: Cary E. O'Connor

Confirmation No.: 7820

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action dated February 7, 2006. A fee payment of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any further extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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